Mr. K. Mohamed Seethi.—This particular school is intended for backward communities.

Mr. I. N. Menon.—Yes.

Mr. K. Mohamed Seethi.—May we expect the same sympathy shown towards the other communities ?

Mr. I. N. Menon.—It will be accorded and with double sympathy.

Enhancement of Market license fees in Palayannur viliage.

59. **Mr. T.A. Ramachandra Ayyar.**—Will the Government be pleased to state—

(1) how many markets are there in the Palayannur village;

(2) who are the owners of such markets;

(3) what was the original license fee of each market paid to Government every year;

(4) were enhancements made at any time;

(5) if so, when and how much;

(6) what was the reason for the enhancement;

(7) did the Director of Public Health visit the Kallalipadam market and make a report before the enhancement;

(8) if so, will a copy of the report be placed on the table?

Rama Varmha Tampuran.—(1) Two.

(2) Mr. Ramankutta Menon, Achat, Palayannur and the Government.

(3) Rs. 100 for the private market of Mr. Ramankutta Menon. No license fee is levied for the Government market. It is either auctioned or leased out every year.

(4) Yes.

(5) In 1109. The license fee of the private market was raised to Rs. 150.

(6) Consequent upon the fixing of the license fees of markets at 15 per cent of the gross income of the previous year subject to a minimum of Rs. 25.

(7) and (8) Yes. There was no necessity for a report since the Director of Public Health himself is competent to fix the license fees for private markets.

Mr. T. A. Ramachandra Ayyar.—Is this the first market the license fee of which was raised after the Director of Public Health took charge ?

Rama Varmha Tampuran—I want notice.

Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan.—May I know, Sir, what are the methods adopted by the Government to find out the income of the market?

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Rama Varmha Tampuran.—Any one of the ways, namely, scrutiny of accounts.

Mr. T. A. Ramachandra Ayyar.—Has it been done in the case of all markets?

Rama Varmha Tampuran.—I do not know what exactly has been done. I should think that it should be by the scrutiny of accounts.

Mr. T. A. Ramachandra Ayyar.—Was this enhancement made for all the markets?

Rama Varmha Tampuran.—Perhaps there was no necessity; because a minimum has been prescribed already, namely, Rs. 25.

Mr. T. A. Ramachandra Ayyar.—Whether enhancements made for other markets as this?

Rama Varmha Tampuran.—The rule has been followed in all cases.

Arrack distilled in the Government Distillery.

60. Mr. Joseph Pettah.—Will the Government be pleased to give information on the following points—

(a) the total quantity of arrack distilled annually in the Government Distillery during the last 5 years;

(b) the value of materials annually purchased for purpose of such distilling, during the same period?

Mr. M. P. Cherian.—

(a)

Years	Proof Gallons.
1104	56,204
1105	61,990
1106	41,011
1107	35 259
1108	32,976

(b) The materials required are purchased by the contractor and not by the Government. It is not possible therefore to furnish the information asked for.

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